# School of Choice

**Overview of Process** 



#### What is School of Choice?

Schools of Choice programs provide students with additional enrollment opportunities, which range from allowing students to determine which school within the resident district they will enroll, to allowing non-resident students to enroll in a district other than their own.

Section 105 permits local school districts to enroll students who reside in other local school districts within the same intermediate school district(same county). Section 105c allows enrollment of students who reside in school districts located in contiguous (sharing a common border) intermediate school districts.

Must be board approved and follow the State School Aid Act (MCL 388.1705)

# Do Districts have to follow Schools of Choice Regulations?

The district must abide by specific timelines and comply with specific criteria in the application and selection process. A district found to be in noncompliance with the regulations established under Section 105 or 105c of the State School Aid Act is subject to forfeiture of 5% of the district's entire state school aid for the year in question.

### **Specific Regulations for School of Choice**

Regulations for School of Choice

#### **Limited School of Choice at P-W**

Limited School of Choice vs Unlimited School of Choice

P-W has a limited school of choice program. This means there are a certain amount of open spots per grade level. The number of students and open grades are posted on our <u>website</u>.

### **Limited School of Choice Requirements**

A district having a limited number of spaces and enrolling Section 105 or Section 105c nonresident pupils must do the following:

**Limited School of School Requirements** 

## How Does P-W Determine the Number of Open Spots?

Number of students in each class/total for all residents in all schools

Board of Education approved teacher contracts on allowable number of students per class

Class offerings and available spots

Space

Allow for resident move ins

### The Number of Openings in the Minimum Number of Students

Once the number of students per grade is posted, that is the number we are required to take (if that number of applicants apply).

The district is allowed to take more than the number of spots posted, they just can't take less per the State School Aid Act (MCL 388.1705)

#### **Need More Information**

Please contact Superintendent Jennifer Goodman

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